



**Citizen's Water Conservation Implementation Task Force**

**Resolution**

Austin Water Utility – Water Conservation Program  
April 6, 2009

Vote: 7-0-0-2-0

**Motion by:** Richard Hatfield

**Second by:** Margot Clarke

**For:** Susan Butler, Margot Clarke, Norman Johns, Richard Hatfield, Jody McDaniel, Nora Mullarkey,  
Jennifer Walker

**Against:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** Rusty Osborne, Susan Roth

**Vacant:** None

**Motion:** Recommend approval with changes

The Citizen's Water Conservation Implementation Task Force supports the City of Austin's Water Conservation Programs, and recommends that the City Council adopt the 2009 Drought Contingency Plan. This plan is designed to meet Section 11.1272 of the Texas Water Code and Chapter 288 of the Texas Administrative Code. These regulations require all Texas public water supply systems providing service to 3,300 or more connections to prepare a Drought Contingency Plan. The plan is required to be officially adopted through resolution or ordinance before being submitted to the TCEQ for final approval on May 1, 2005.

The 2009 Drought Contingency Plan adheres to the requirements of the Texas Administrative Code by including the specific criteria for the initiation and termination of drought response stages, as well as the measures to be implemented during these stages in order to achieve reductions in water use. In addition, the 2009 Plan includes specific, quantified target amounts for water use reductions to be achieved during periods of drought and water shortage. The Plan also specifies how the City will respond to and manage the water system during a repetition of the critical drought of record. Both water supply and system capacity management actions are codified in the City of Austin's Municipal Code, Title IV Environmental Control/Conservation, Chapter 4-2 Water Conservation, Article II Emergency and Peak Day Water Use Management, and are therefore included in the Plan.

  
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Approved, Susan Butler, Chair

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